

REMARKS

The Examiner's Office Action of May 5, 2004 has been carefully considered and the final rejection noted.

It is respectfully requested that the present amendment be entered as placing the application in condition for allowance. If not so entered, it is requested that this amendment be entered as placing the application in better condition for appeal.

Regarding the Examiner's objections to the drawings, such objections are believed to now be moot in view of the cancellation of Claims 23 and 24 which were objected to as containing new matter.

It is believed and respectfully urged, that the replacement drawings filed herein on April 12, 2004 be accepted and entered, and that no new drawings are required or necessary.

By the foregoing amendment, the rejected Claims 1-7, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, and 21-24 have been canceled. Claims 7 and 18 are withdrawn from further consideration as being drawn to a non-elected species. By the present amendment, Claims 7 and 18 are canceled to place the application in condition for

allowance. Claims 7 and 18 may be presented in a separate application, together with other canceled claims.

Claims 8-13, 16 and 20 are stated to be allowable, and allowance is respectfully requested.

Only the allowed claims remaining in the application, the present amendment is deemed to place the application in condition for allowance. A formal Notice Of Allowance is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Boniard I. Brown".

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